

**Figure 1.** Aerosol–induced change in net shortwave flux at tropopause ( $\lambda < 4 \mu m$ ). Results are based on AVHRR/NOAA Aerosol Optical Depths (AODs) reported by *Husar et al.* [1997] for the period July 1989–June 1991. The aerosol model uses a typical column size distribution from TARFOX. Values above each frame are averages for the 25°–60° N region, excluding African dust. (a–d) seasonal average (no clouds) with single scattering albedo  $\omega$  (550) = 0.9. (e–f) annual average (no clouds) for  $\omega$ (550) = 0.9 and  $\omega$ (550) = 1.0. (g–h) annual average (ISCCP clouds).